

## Mary Lou Terrien

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**To:** Mary Lou Terrien  
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Dear Ms. Mary Lou Terrien -

Please accept this testimony in lieu of my presence today. I oppose HB 5232. I am a resident of Detroit, and a proponent of historic preservation as a means to stabilize neighborhoods in Michigan, as well as a proven way to contribute to the economic development of our state's cities and towns.

HB 5232 is a short sighted effort to undermine the state's historic district regulations - which have been a very successful, and flexible standard that allows property owners reasonable and consistent routes to modify their historic structures, if they so choose. Creating "opt in" mechanisms and a ten year review cycle will ostensibly gut what has been one of the state's most successful regimes. Not to mention endangering the collective culture and history of our state.

I urge our representatives to do the responsible thing and stop HB 5232 from being referred out of hearing.

Sincerely

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